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Portions of the references may be material to the examination of the pending claims, however no such admission is intended. 37 C.F.R. 1.97 (h). The references have not been reviewed in sufficient detail to make any other representation and, in particular, no representation is intended as to the relative importance of any portion of the references. This Statement is not a representation that the cited references have effective dates early enough to be “prior art” within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. sections 102 or 103.

CITED REFERENCES

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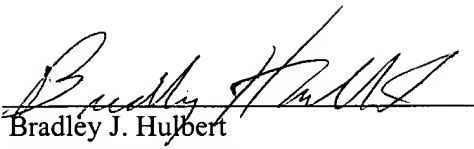
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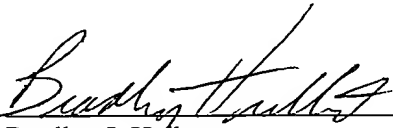
1. We are transmitting herewith the attached papers for the above-identified patent application:

- 1) Eighth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) Letter
- 2) Eighth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) PTO-Form 1449
- 3) Copies of IDS Citations for 09/727,069 (11 Documents)
- 4) Return Postcard

2. A check in the amount of \$0.00 is enclosed for the Filing Fee.

3. **GENERAL AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE OR CREDIT FEES:** Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2490. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

4. **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.8:** The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper, as described in paragraph 1 hereinabove, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on this 2nd day of April, 2003.

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